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- The class of 1953, which will enter service in Nov 53, is composed of 174,000 men who will be assigned as follows:
81,000 to the infantry; 11,000 to the artillery, of whom 5,000 will go to the heavy artillery; 6,000 to the cavalry, of whom 4,000 will go to the motorized cavalry; 22,000 to the armored force; 14,000 to technical arms, of whom 3,000 to flame-throwers and mining; 11,000 to the air force; 5,000 to the engineers; 3,000 to the medical department; 12,000 to the moto-mechanized units; 6,000 to the political services; 3,000 to various other arms.

Eight percent of the total will be assigned to officer candidate schools, 11 % to noncommissioned officer schools. It is expected that 50 % of the candidates in these schools will make their promotion. The number assigned to political service will be at least doubled during the course of the year, after the examination of other conscripts by officers of the political service.

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